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TAGS: ECOSOC

SUBJECT: 63RD SESSION OF ECOSOC: OPENING OF SESSION

1. THE 63RD ECOSOC CONVENED IN GENEVA ON JULY 5, 1977. OPENING STATEMENTS WERE MADE BY ECOSOC PRESIDENT SMID WHO SPOKE BRIEFLY ON THE "FRUSTRATION AND DEEP DISAPPOINTMENT" WHICH UN EFFORTS HAVE MET IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY EMPHASIZING THE NEED FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION; AND SYG WALDHEIM (COPY POUCHED DEPT IO/IEP).

2. WALDHEIM DEALT PRIMARILY WITH THE FOLLOWING THREE TOPICS:

A. ENERGY: REITERATING HIS DESIRE FOR A WORLD ENERGY ORDER (WEO), WALDHEIM REPEATED HIS RECENT PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH NEW UN  
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MACHINERY TO "ASSIST MEMBER COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE OF THE THIRD WORLD, IN THE DEFINITION AND APPLICATION OF THEIR ENERGY POLICIES." THE FUNCTIONS OF THIS PROPOSED UN ENERGY INSTITUTION WOULD BE: "1. TO PROMOTE THE COMPLETE AND RATIONAL UTILIZATION OF ALL AVAILABLE SOURCES OF ENERGY, BOTH CONVENTIONAL AND NEW, AND TO PROMOTE REGIONAL COOPERATION PROJECTS TO THIS END; 2. TO DISSEMINATE INFORMATION ON THE WHOLE RANGE OF POSSIBILITIES OFFERED BY

MODERN TECHNOLOGY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SOURCES OF ENERGY;  
3. TO FACILITATE THE TRANSFER AND ADAPTATION OF ENERGY TECHNOLOGY;  
4. TO UNDERTAKE INTENSIVE TRAINING PROGRAMS." THIS INSTITUTION  
WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT SEEK TO FIX OR NEGOTIATE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY  
PRICES EITHER AT THE PRODUCTION OR CONSUMPTION STAGE.  
WALDHEIM QUALIFIED THE NEED FOR INCREASED GLOBAL ENERGY  
COOPERATION WITH THE NEED TO PRESERVE "THE PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY  
OF EACH NATION OVER ITS NATURAL RESOURCES." HE ALSO TOOK THE  
OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS CONCERN OVER THE DANGER OF NUCLEAR  
PROLIFERATION.

B. FOOD PRODUCTION: WALDHEIM PRAISED THE "STRENGTHENING OF  
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION" RESULTING FROM THE ROME CONFERENCE,  
BUT WARNED THAT, ALTHOUGH SOME PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE, THE GOALS  
SET BY THE CONFERENCE HAVE YET TO BE MET.

C. INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: CRITICIZING THE LACK OF  
PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
STRATEGY AND IN THE "ERADICATION OF MASS POVERTY," HE STRESSED THE  
OPPORTUNITY FOR A "REFORM OF WORLD ECONOMIC STRUCTURES" THAT IS  
OFFERED BY THE PRESENT ECONOMIC UPSWING IN DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, AND  
CLAIMED THAT STRENGTHENING THE ECONOMIES OF THE POOREST COUNTRIES  
WOULD HELP TO FURTHER STIMULATE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RECOVERY. HE  
MADE REFERENCE TO THE RECENT OECD POLICIES TO STIMULATE GROWTH, A ONE  
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YEAR MORATORIUM SET FOR NEW PROTECTIONIST MEASURES, AND THE POTENTIAL  
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AND GROWING IMPORTANCE OF GATT TRADE POLICIES TO THE OPERATIONS  
OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

3. FOLLOWING WALDHEIM'S REMARKS, THE AGENDA FOR THE CONFERENCE  
WAS ADOPTED WITHOUT DEBATE.SORENSEN

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